

**Abstract of the disclosure.****Method for the decision, whether to reuse or reject a refractory plate and device to this end.**

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According to a first of its object, the present invention a thus for object a method allowing to decide objectively whether a refractory plate of a slide gate valve used to control the flow of a molten metal during the casting of said metal from an upper vessel to a lower vessel can be reused or should be discarded. According to another of its aspects, the invention relates to a

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device intended for carrying out the above described method.

The invention allows the taking of objective decisions as to the reuse or reject of the plates.

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